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### AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph entitled "Cross Reference to Related Application" on page 1 of the specification with the following paragraph:

a<sup>1</sup>  
This application claims ~~priority to US~~ the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application 60/279,859, entitled METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR THE TREATMENT OF HUMAN AND ANIMAL CANCERS, filed on March 29, 2001, Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ (Attorney Docket No. 54938-226916).

On page 3 of the specification, please replace the second full paragraph (beginning at line 17) with the following paragraph:

a<sup>2</sup>  
In one aspect of the invention, compositions of the present invention are prepared by incorporating one or more of the components A, B, C, and D into the composition. The dithiocarbonyl component A, preferably a dithiocarbamate compound, of the composition usually has the formula:  $(R_1)_m(R_2)-Z-C-S-S-Y(R_1)_m(R_2)-Z-C(S)-S-Y$  wherein m is 0 or 1, but other structures can be envisioned. For example, a dithiocarbamate moiety can be inserted into fatty acid chains, or between the phosphate group and the polar headgroup, or at the end of the polar headgroup in a phospholipid molecule.

On page 11 of the specification, please replace the second full paragraph (beginning at line 7) with the following paragraph:

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Component A, the dithiocarbonyl compounds, particularly dithiocarbamates, of the present invention generally have the formula:  $(R_1)_m(R_2)-Z-C-S-S-Y(R_1)_m(R_2)-Z-C(S)-S-Y$ , wherein m is 0 or 1.

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On page 15 of the specification, please replace the second full paragraph (beginning at line 10) with the following paragraph:

Other preferred dithiocarbonyl components for use in the compositions of the present invention are dimers of the dithiocarbonyl compounds described previously. Such dimers may be represented by the formula:  $(R_1)_m(R_2)_nZ-C-S-S-C-Z(R_1)_m(R_2)_n$   
 $(R_1)_m(R_2)_nZ-C(S)-S-S-C(S)-Z(R_1)_m(R_2)_n$ . A preferred embodiment is Disulfuram, which is a dimer of DEDC currently used for the treatment of alcohol abuse.

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On page 25 of the specification, please replace the first full paragraph (beginning at line 5) with the following paragraph:

The ability of the compositions to alter the viability of a broad range of cancerous cell types, while inducing less changes in minimally affecting the viability of noncancerous cells, are set forth in detail in Examples 1-23 1-24 below.

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On page 37 of the specification, please replace the heading beginning at line 25 with the following heading:

**Examples 20 and 21 and 22. In vivo HT-29 human colon carcinoma and HT-18 HT-168 human melanoma mouse xenografts.**

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On page 39 of the specification, please replace the heading beginning at line 21 with the following heading:

**Example 22 23. Western blot analysis of apoptotic gene product expression in cancer cells.**

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On page 40 of the specification, please replace the heading beginning at line 14 with the following heading:

**Example 23 24. In vivo acute toxicological investigations.**